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## JAPAN.

*Report from Yokohama—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—Smallpox on steamships Mongolia and Empress of Japan—Smallpox and plague in Japan—Plague in Formosa.*

Passed Assistant Surgeon Cumming reports, May 15:

Two weeks ended May 11, 1907. Bills of health issued to 12 vessels having an aggregate personnel of 920 crew and 1,366 passengers.

Of these vessels, 2 were bound to San Francisco via Honolulu, 1 to San Francisco direct, 3 to Manila, 1 each to Tacoma and Guam (via Yap), and 4 to New York via Suez Canal.

The *Mongolia*, from Hongkong to San Francisco, arrived here with a case of smallpox, as previously reported, and, after detention at the quarantine station for disinfection and vaccination, sailed.

The holds, forecastles, etc., of 4 steamships were fumigated, under supervision of this office, for the purpose of destroying vermin. Two of these vessels, the *Montrose* and *Erroll*, were bound for New York, and the *Nikko Maru* was bound for Manila.

No quarantinable disease has been reported in this vicinity.

Smallpox is reported prevalent in the city of Nagoya, 27 cases having been reported in one day; 5 more cases of plague are reported in Osaka, and plague is reported epidemic in Taipeh, Taiwan (Formosa).

The steamship *Empress of Japan* arrived here from Vancouver with 7 cases of smallpox among her crew. The same vessel is said to have arrived at Victoria quarantine with a case on the previous trip and was disinfected and released, and it is possible that these cases had been infected on the vessel previous to her disinfection there.

Number of emigrants per steamship *Doric*, sailing May 15, 1907, recommended for rejection: For San Francisco or Honolulu, 13.

Per steamship *Kaga Maru*, May 15: For Seattle, 37.

These rejections were all for trachoma.

*Plague at Yokohama.*

The following is received, June 1, from the Department of State:

A telegram, dated the 30th ultimo, has been received from the consul-general at Yokohama, Japan, which reads: "Plague."

*Report from Kobe—Emigrants recommended for rejection.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Fowler reports, May 11:

Month of April, 1907. April 8, steamship *Siberia*, 148 for Honolulu; April 13, steamship *Aki Maru*, 63 for Seattle; April 15, steamship *China*, 97 for Honolulu; April 19, steamship *Chiusa Maru*, 245 for Honolulu; April 24, steamship *Riojun Maru*, 3 for Seattle; April 24, steamship *Mongolia*, 137 for Honolulu, 2 for San Francisco; April 27, steamship *Nippon Maru*, 86 for Honolulu, 10 for San Francisco.

*Report from Nagasaki—Emigrants recommended for rejection.*

Sanitary Inspector Bowie reports:

Number of emigrants per steamship *Mongolia* recommended April 20, 1907, for rejection, 8.

Per steamship *Nippon Maru* April 24, 1907, 16.

Per steamship *Doric*, May 8, 1907, 28.